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who oversees the water department for the council, reminded the group of the need to hire a certified water operator. Council members and the city clerk read the water meters last month and will probably do so again this month. However, Alabama law requires a certified water operator to take the required water samples for ADEM.

Rebren reported she had talked with the recently resigned water operator about returning, but he had declined. She added that the only applicant for the position who has been

interviewed is asking for more money than Kinston has been paying for this full time position.

Council member Kenneth Seay reported on the need for a full time police officer. He said the town is presently operating with only a part-time, temporary officer and there is a desperate need to take some action in this department.

Differences over the police department between city officials and some Kinston citizens are credited with heating up the arguments which led to some of the elected official

resignations. There is also a vacancy in the streets and sanitation department, according to Seay.

The council agreed to immediately begin working to fill these positions, scheduling another council meeting for Tuesday morning of this week.

Council member Penny Hall, who supervises city finances said she would have a budget report at the next meeting and hopefully one every three months thereafter.

Anderson said the council would

operate by Robert's Rules of Order, while conducting official business. During designated times for public input "We want to be informal and as neighborly as we can, he added."

The council will also operate from a planned and published agenda for each meeting. This agenda will be posted at several public places in Kinston several days prior to the meetings.

Before officially opening the council meetings, the group will begin each meeting with a word of prayer.

form Act of 1994" and read that it is amended to read (not "to include") as follows: "A person shall not drive or be in actual physical control of any vehicle or vessel, or manipulate any water skis, aquaplane, or any other marine transportation device on the waters of this state, ... Under the influence of alcohol ..."

The reasoning for dismissing the automobile DUI cases was that cars are not operated on the waters of this state, therefore the law didn't apply. The appeals court disagreed, relying on "legislative intent."

Justice Sue Bell Cobb wrote, "For this court to rule that the legislature intended to do away with the offense of vehicular DUI on public highways of Alabama and instead create the of-

fense of vehicular DUI on state waterways would be farcical."

She continued, "According to the plain language of the statute, no repeal was intended and none has occurred."

Judge Cobb explained that the legislative intent was clear ... "to increase the severity of punishment for the crime of boating DUI in order that it may match the seriousness of the crime of vehicular DUI on the public highways ..."

One well respected student of the law expressed an opinion to the newspaper that if the legislature had placed the boating violation amendment under a section of the law dealing with boating regulations, rather than motor vehicles, the problem would have never come up.

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He stated that Green's firm was contacted to design a "fix" to stop the leaking.

At that time, the architectural firm recommended that a new roof be installed on the building.

Jernigan's concern was why the building was still leaking in 1995. Green's response was that the roof was not the problem, but that the walls were causing the leaks.

Jernigan told Green that it was his recollection that the board had instructed his firm to find a solution to the leaking problem at the school.

And, it was the recommendation of his firm that a new roof would solve the problem.

"Was the hole inspected at that time," asked Jernigan.

After several minutes of questions and responses, which all

seemed to dwell on the same topic, Green asked Jernigan, "What do you want the leaking fixed at no expense to the county," replied Jernigan.

"It won't work that way because it would be a lot of money to fix," responded Green.

Again, Green told board members that the leaking problem was caused by water seepage through the block wall.

Jernigan was not alone in expressing his concerns for the leaks. Other board members quizzed Green well.

Board member Joyce Barksdale, who was not on the board at the time, commented, "How can you expect children to learn in the smelly atmosphere caused by the leaks each

time it rains?"

Cole said that it leaks in 17 out of 19 rooms when it rains.

Board member Robert McKinnon said, "I don't think it's fair to the taxpayers to keep fixing the roof every two or three years."

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Police Officer Gregory Gay buried with full honors

by Marvin McLWain - Editor

The mood was somber and the weather dreary on Wednesday, August 2, as family, friends and fellow officers bid farewell to Elba Patrolman Gregory Bryan Gay.

Gay lost his life in a one-car accident while responding to an emergency call early Monday morning, July 31.

A memorial service was held at Elba, United Methodist Church, which was filled to capacity and overflowing.

Law enforcement officers from all over the state attended the service in honor of the fallen policeman and in support of his family.

During the church service, which lasted just over an hour, Elba Police Chief Maxwell Hooks expressed his appreciation, as well as for Gay's

family, to the officers for their show of support.

"I want to let people, who didn't know Greg, know just what type of policeman he was," Chief Hooks commented. "He came to work early and stayed late...Greg is gone, but he will not be forgotten."

On the day of the accident, Gay's father, G.B. Gay, told Elba Mayor Ricky Haywood that his son had given his life doing the thing that he enjoyed - being a police officer.

Rev. Al Moore thanked the many, many friends and fellow peace officers who were at the service.

"Your presence here shows how much you love each other," he said. "Your presence brings strength and support to the family."

Following the church service, the hearse, bearing Gay's flag draped coffin, was escorted to the grave site by a line of police cars with emergency lights flashing.

The funeral procession was met at Old Union Cemetery in the Weedville Community (Crenshaw County) by the Alabama State Trooper Honor Guard.

Just after Gay's body was escorted to the grave site and placed in position by the honor guard, it began to rain, but no one seemed to notice it.

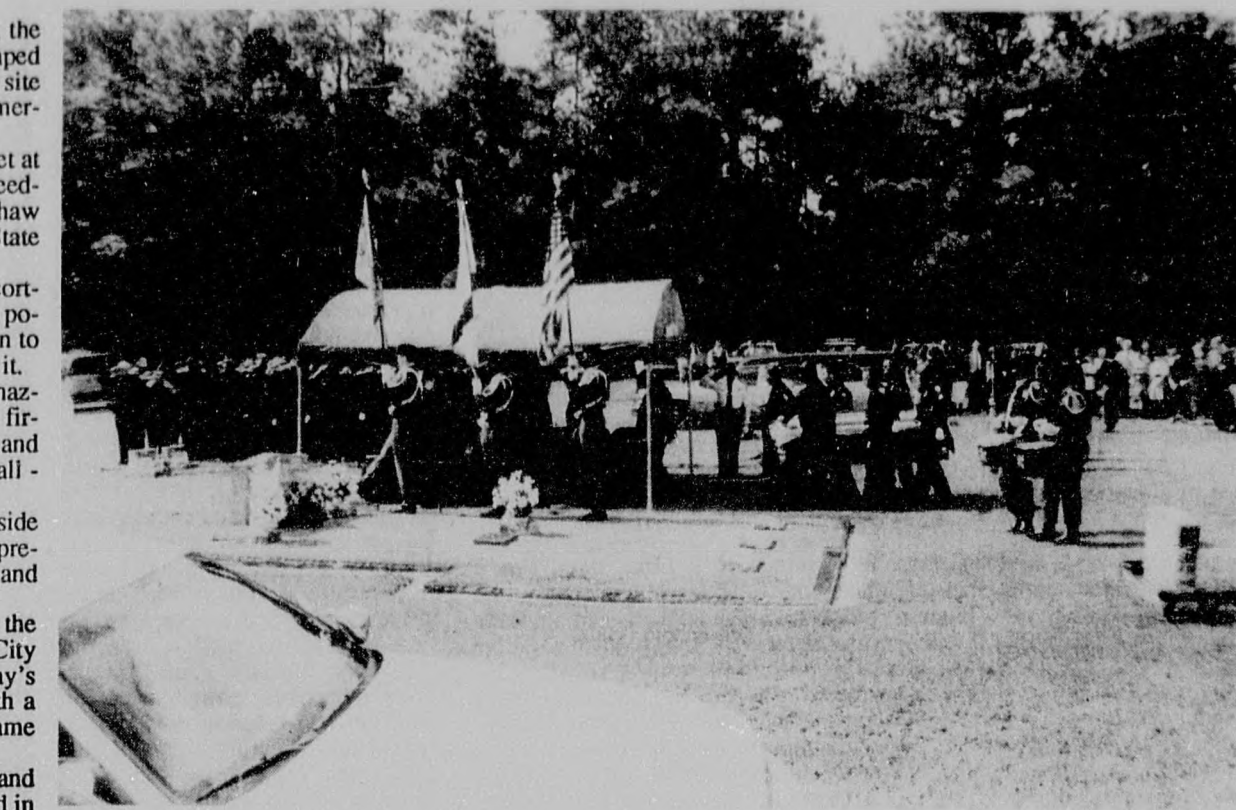
The playing of the hymn "Amazing Grace" by the bag pipes, the firing of a twenty-one gun salute, and the trumpets playing taps said it all - it was a sad day.

At the conclusion of the graveside service, American flags were presented to Gay's wife, Elizabeth, and his mother, Barbara.

Chief Hooks, on behalf of the Elba Police Department and the City of Elba, presented each of Gay's sons, Bryan and Christopher, with a badge bearing their father's name and badge number.

Officer Gay's badge number and sign, Elba 112, will be retired in his honor by the Elba Police Department.

Flags in the City of Elba will be flown at half mast for 30 days in memory of Officer Gay.



HONOR GUARD MOVES INTO POSITION...The Alabama State Trooper Honor Guard moves into position for the graveside service as the casket bearing Gay's body is carried to its final resting place by fellow officers of the Elba Police Department. Law enforcement officers from the local area and the state are pictured at left standing in attention.

New Brockton moves forward with parks and recreation board

by Marvin McLWain - Editor

The New Brockton Town Council moved through a 16-item agenda in just over an hour and a half Monday evening.

The creation of a recreation board and recommendations from the town's attorney, Joe Sawyer, Jr. consumed a majority of the meeting time.

Sawyer, prior to the meeting, had reviewed the pending garbage contract with Herrington Enterprises. It was upon his recommendation that the council sign the contract.

Royce Herrington expressed his hope that a better line of communication would be established between himself and those responsible for coordinating garbage collection for the town.

Councilman Robert Miles said, "We need to make sure that every body who receives a water bill has a garbage container."

In reference to the vicious dog ordinance that the council has been considering, Sawyer told council members that, in his opinion, it is unenforceable.

It was his recommendation that the council allow him to research the matter and draft an ordinance which would better serve the purpose. The council agreed.

Sawyer and members of the council went into executive session to discuss a potential lawsuit being filed by the widow of Wilbur Fouch.

On September 14, 1990, Fouch died while on duty with the New Brockton Police Department.

Hwa Sun Fouch contends that the town was negligent in failing to file claims for workers' compensation death benefits on Fouch's behalf.

Reportedly, Mrs. Fouch has agreed to accept \$50,000 as full and final settlement of all claims against the Town of New Brockton.

After a ten minute session behind closed doors, the council reconvened and a motion was made and passed that Sawyer continue negotiations with Mrs. Fouch and her attorney, Richard W. Whitaker.

After several minutes of discussion involving grass cutting, the council decided that the matter should be discussed with Greg Lee.

Lee has the contract for cutting the grass at the town park and at the recreation park (ball field).

Council member Roseann Lewis expressed concern on what was not required in keeping the town park looking nice. She felt that the

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*** * HAPPENINGS * ***

ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB. The Elba Athletic Club will meet Monday, August 14, at 7:00 p.m. in the high school commons area. All members and prospective members are urged to attend. Elba's new coaching staff will be introduced.

ATTENTION EHS STUDENTS. All Elba High students, grades 7 through 12, are encouraged to come by the high school office Monday, August 14, or Tuesday, August 15, to take care of schedules, locker rentals, lunch payments, and parking permits. Lockers will cost \$3.00, lunches are \$1.50 per day, and parking permits are \$1.00.

ELBA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENT NIGHT. All parents of Elba Elementary students enrolled in grades one through six are urged to attend Parents' Night to be held in the school's cafeteria Thursday, August 17, 1995, at 6:00 p.m.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION. Elba Elementary School will hold kindergarten orientation for parents and students Friday, August 18, 1995, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

STUDENT ORIENTATION. Elba High School will have 7th grade student/parent orientation on August 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

REGISTRATION AT ZION CHAPEL. Zion Chapel School asks that new students who have not enrolled in either the high school or elementary school to come by the school complex any day Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to complete the registration process.

COUNTY SCHOOLS BEGIN CLASSES. Coffee County Schools begin classes Tuesday, August 15, at 8:00 a.m. This will be a full school day with buses running on regular routes. Meal prices are as follows: breakfast - .50¢ full price and .30¢ reduced price; lunch - \$1.25 full price and .40¢ reduced price. For additional information contact the appropriate school: Kinston Elementary @ 565-3027 or Kinston High @ 565-3016; New Brockton Elementary @ 894-6152 or New Brockton High @ 894-2350; Zion Chapel Elementary @ 897-6802 or Zion Chapel High @ 897-6275; or call the Superintendent's Office @ 897-5016.

County's Chins-up Camp in full swing

by Marvin McLWain - Editor

The Coffee County Chins-Up Camp is in full swing this week. Forty-one campers and twelve counselors are enjoying an active week of tours, seminars, workshops, swimming, and recreational activities.

Chins-Up is a camp for special children who need to improve skills in behavior modification and making wise choices.

Organizations throughout Coffee County have been very effective working together to insure a worthwhile learning experience.

The following organizations have networked their resources to provide this camp: Coffee County Probate Office, Coffee County Sheriff's Department, Enterprise Housing Authority, Coffee County School System, Enterprise City Schools, Elba City Schools, FACES, Department of Human Resources, Coffee County Health Department, Elba First Baptist Church, and Coffee County Extension Service. Many hours have been spent by staff members of these organizations in preparation for and in conducting this camp.

Great appreciation is expressed to financial supporters of the camp. They are: M. E. Harris, Pairs and Spares Sunday School Class, Enterprise Kiwanis Club, NAACP, Coffee County Cattlemen's Association, National Security Insurance, Magno-

lia Home and Garden Club, 20th Century Study Club, Pittman and Pittman, Enterprise Lions Club, Dorsey's Employment Emergency Fund, Dorsey Trailers, Enterprise Optimist Club, Elba Lions Club, Elba Rotary Club, Enterprise Rotary Club, Coffee County Farmers Federation, Gib-

son Foundation, Colleen Gordon, Gordon Enterprises, Pathway, Co-Nagra, Coca-Cola, Big/Little Stores, and New Hope Rehabilitation Farm.

The camp concludes tonight with an awards banquet to be held at the First Baptist Church in Elba.

National Peanut Growers Group proposes major changes in peanut program

The National Peanut Growers Group (NPGG), the federation of state and regional organizations which represent the nation's peanut farmers, proposed several major changes to the peanut price stabilization program which will make it more market-responsive. Congress must vote to reauthorize it this year as part of the 1995 Farm Bill.

The growers group, which represents 99% of the nation's 15,000 peanut growers, voted to allow the sale of quota across county lines beginning in 1996. They also agreed to provide a significant amount of quota free to anyone who grows peanuts.

These changes are in addition to earlier modifications that the peanut grower leadership proposed for this year's Farm Bill including: elimination of virtually all government and taxpayer cost; adjustments in the amount of peanuts eligible for the domestic price support; relaxation of fall transfer restrictions on quota; and no increase in the price support of 33.9¢ per pound.

The plan the growers are proposing for the Farm Bill this year should allow any farmer in the peanut producing areas of the U.S. a greater opportunity to produce and sell peanuts for the domestic market than was available before. The plan will allow up to 30% of the quota production in any county to be sold and moved to other counties within the state.

In order to provide protection to the existing rural economies in these areas, a maximum of 15% of a county's quota would be allowed to be sold outside of that county in the first year, with up to 5% allowed to be sold in each succeeding year to a maximum of 30% over the 5-year

farm bill. The limits on the amount which can be sold provide growers, shellers, food processors and their rural communities a reasonable amount of time to adjust to the transition.

An unlimited amount of quota could continue to be sold or rented within each county as allowed under current law.

"These are major concessions made by traditional growers," said James Earl Mobley, Chairman of the National Peanut Growers Group. "Our hope is that these concessions should make the program more market responsive to Congress."

The NPGG proposal also would provide quota to anyone who grows peanuts equal to the approximate amount of seed they plant each year. This addresses the concerns of some farmers who grow peanuts primarily for the export market.

The growers agreed not to seek an increase in the domestic price support of peanuts next year, now at 33.9¢ per pound.

RECD Office to be closed August 14-16

The Coffee County Office for Rural Economic and Community Development (formerly known as Farmers Home Administration) will be closed August 14-16, 1995, for employees to attend a statewide program training meeting. James R. Johnson, RECD County Supervisor, said the office will reopen for business at 7:45 a.m. on Thursday, August 17, 1995.

Jeremie Bryan enters cattle at 1995 National Jr. Angus Show

Jeremie Bryan of Elba, Alabama will exhibit Angus cattle at the 1995 National Junior Angus Show at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center in Louisville July 18-22, reports Richard Spader, executive vice-president of the American Angus Association.

Jeremie, a junior member of the American Angus Association with headquarters in St. Joseph, Missouri, is one of 655 young Angus breeders from 31 states who have entered a total of 1,399 head in the show. The nearly 1,400 entries is a record number for this 27th annual event.

The National Show is the largest single breed, registered beef cattle show in the world. This year's show will host a beef cook-off, team sales competition, public speaking contest and photography and poster contests in addition to the traditional cattle show.

The National Junior Angus Show is sponsored by the American Angus Association and the National Junior Angus Association (NJA). The NJAA serves over 8,000 young Angus members in the United States and Canada.

Army/Air Force News

Army National Guard Pvt. Edmond J. Yelle Jr. II has completed the basic field artillery cannon course at Fort Sil, Lawton, Oklahoma.

During the course, students were taught the duties of a Howitzer or gun section crewman. They also received instruction in communication, maintenance and the handling of ammunition and explosives.

Yelle is the son of Edmond J. and Linda S. Yelle of Kinston, AL.

He graduated from Land O'Lakes Senior High School in 1993.

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by Marvin McLWain - Editor

The following individuals were hired and transfers were approved: Andrew Sobey was hired as a math instructor with some coaching duties at New Brockton High School; Deborah Heron, who was a special education instructor at Zion Chapel High School, will now serve as the guidance counselor at ZCES; Gale Jackson will assume the duties of special education instructor at ZCHS.

Sandy Adkins, a part-time lunchroom employee at New Brockton High School, was employed full-time.

The board was unable to agree on who to hire for two fifth grade teaching positions - one at New Brockton Elementary and the other at Kinston Elementary.

Also, the board was asked to consider the filling of three other positions: one was for an interpreter to work with the hearing impaired and two aides to work with multiple handicapped students at New Brockton High School.

The next regular scheduled board meeting is set for Monday, August 15; however, it is highly probable that a special meeting will be called prior to then to fill the teaching positions.

It was noted that time is growing short with teachers scheduled to report Monday, August 14, and students set to begin classes Tuesday, August 15.

On Monday, a working session will begin at 6:00 p.m., followed by a board meeting at 7:00 p.m.

A covered dish meal will begin at 6:00 p.m., with State Sen. Adams scheduled to speak at 6:30 p.m.

All AARP members are urged to attend this meeting.

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Coffee County BOE pressing deadline on teacher hiring

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BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Elba's Sam Sawyer died last week. He had been sick for some time and the family knew he was seriously ill but death is still an unpleasant reality. Time marches on and he was the last active charter member of the Elba Rotary Club. During his active business life Sawyer was enthusiastically involved in industrial development, served in city government and was highly visible in many other political endeavors. He loved to fly fish and spent many hours perfecting this art. Personally, it would be hard to fault anyone with such a hobby, especially when they exhibit such skill and professionalism as Sam Sawyer did. We always listened closely to his ideas and advice on ways to improve our own meager efforts with a popping bug on the end of a fly line. He was a caring person and fun to be around.

A news release received last week indicates the Business Council of Alabama has given the 1995 regular session of the Alabama legislature a passing grade - a high B. They liked the ethics reform, incentives legislation and revenue measures. In school, a "B" isn't the best grade in the world. However, in this situation, it is a miracle! It is awful hard for lawmakers to please the masses AND the Business Council at the same time, but they apparently did just that this year. Actually it is probably best not to get a perfect grade from any special interest group. That would mean other special interest groups got shut out of the system completely... and they are all Alabama citizens with concerns, interests and individual rights.

We were spared any major damage from Hurricane Erin last week. There was damage in the Florida Panhandle and in Southwest Alabama. While this was not a major storm, it would be hard to explain that to Pensacola folks who lost their homes, or even those without homes and telephone for several days. The same holds true for many people in Southwest Alabama.

The Susan Smith murder trial is over. She never denied drowning her two sons, just blamed it on all her life's experiences. Few, if any, around here buy that argument one minute. It isn't hard to point out many people who have suffered as much or more than this party girl and they ain't never killed two darling little boys just to be with a new boyfriend (or an old one for that matter). One minister wrote this was a classic example of "the original sin." We don't fully understand that comparison. It was not a surprise when she didn't get the death sentence, juries in that county have never in the history of this nation sentenced anyone to death. And in the Electric City, a woman and good at shedding tears... no surprise. Then there was the argument that life in prison is worse than death, and a lot of people can agree with that argument. However, life terms ain't always permanent, but death is f-n-a-l.

It is almost time for school to begin again. This is exciting to some children, disappointing to others. The same holds true for the teachers. Let us start now beginning to urge our readers to drive carefully. Every one of these youngsters is too precious to have them hurt or killed.

No one has offered bottles of those fat-burning pills in Elba... yet. That is a fairly strong statement, but one made with full knowledge anyone who was taking the magic new reducing pill, would give up their secret in bragging or new clothes. The pill under discussion is the magic one that hit the headlines and TV screens last week. It is supposed to melt away fat, but actually it has only worked with terribly fat rats thus far. There have been no admitted cases of humans taking the magic reducing pills and hopefully it will be done only after extensive research. But, when the pills are ready, we want some. Meanwhile... dip more of that ice cream onto the cake in this bowl of ours!

It is amazing that the Washington politicians are listening to third-party presidential candidate Ross Perot. During the last nationwide campaign, pop shots were taken at this highly motivated and successful millionaire, now they are trying to put his ideas into practice. Most folks never did get excited about Perot for president. However, business thinking has proven it's worth and it is comforting to see our national leaders are putting many of his ideas to work.

Oh Baby!



NOW THAT'S BIG...The runt of the three watermelons pictured above weighed 69lbs! Big Boy Number One weighed in at 118 lbs while Number Two tipped the scales at 114 lbs. Russell Cash (in the picture above) raised this prize melon on his farm just north of Elba. Cash said it does not take long to get a truck load of watermelons when they're this size. The pick-up truck in the picture is a full-size one - not an S-10.

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ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following persons admitted during the time period of August 1, 1995 through August 7, 1995.
They were: James Y. Smith, Gladys Brooks, Myrtle Hudson, Devin Jackson, Billy Baldwin, Ricardo Cooks, James Dubose, Tony Smith, and Rebecca Arrington.
Patients discharged during the same period of time were: Annie Tyson, Jolene Reeves, Wilburn Taylor, Murphy Eutsy, Margie Gay, Jamie Griggs, Debra Rogers, William Hooks, James Y. Smith, Lucille Armstrong, Devin Jackson, Gladys Brooks, Nell Lawford, Allen Johnson, Myrtle Hudson, James Dubose, and Tony Smith.

BE CAREFUL

ELBA POLICE REPORT

AUGUST 1 Thru AUGUST 7, 1995

The Elba Police Department, beginning Tuesday, August 1, 1995, investigated the following incidents: five thefts of property, one dog bite, one assault, one disorderly conduct, one unlawful breaking and entering of a vehicle, and one DUI.

The following traffic citations were issued: one for no tag, one for parking in a no parking zone, one for an expired tag, one for driving while driver's license is revoked, one for illegally parking in a handicap parking zone, one for improper passing, one for DUI, one for headlights out, one for driving while driver's license is suspended, and one for speeding.

Arrests for the week were as follows: one for harassment, one for disorderly conduct, one for unlawful breaking and entering, and two for unlawful distribution of a controlled substance.

Daily activity highlights were as follows:
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ELBA POLICE REPORT

AUGUST 1 Thru AUGUST 7, 1995

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The following traffic citations were issued: one for no tag, one for parking in a no parking zone, one for an expired tag, one for driving while driver's license is revoked, one for illegally parking in a handicap parking zone, one for improper passing, one for DUI, one for headlights out, one for driving while driver's license is suspended, and one for speeding.

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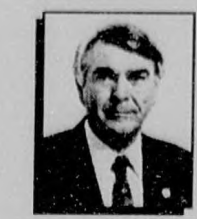
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FROM THE HOUSE

Congressman
Terry Everett

Forgotten War Never to be Forgotten Again

It has been dubbed "The Forgotten War." But for a million and a half Americans, many of whom did not make it home, the Korean War was freedom's first triumph over a new form of tyranny, communism.

On July 27, the 42nd anniversary of the Korean armistice, these forgotten heroes received a fitting tribute - a beautiful new memorial on the National Mall in Washington.

At first, it brings to mind the Vietnam Memorial Wall. The Korean War Memorial encompasses a 164-foot-long mural which rises out of a 200-foot pool.

The mural, which carries the inscription, "Freedom Isn't Free," bears the faces of actual service members sandblasted into dark granite. The muralled wall is framed by 19 stainless steel statues of mono-chad servicemen - 15 soldiers, two Marines, a sailor and an airman.

What was their legacy? It's written here in the personal story of a young civilian survivor of the Korean War.

"The year was 1950 and Seoul, the capital of Korea, had been overrun and occupied by the communists. Life was dangerous and miserable. Because my family was educated, we were branded 'enemies of the people.' Most of our possessions were confiscated and my father was forced to go into hiding.

"Others, like my adopted brother, were hunted down, lined up against the wall and executed. They made the younger boys, including me, watch. I was so scared but I'll never forget the way he looked at me and gave me a brave, little smile, and then they shot him. I was left to care for my mother - always wondering would the next bullet be for us?"

Then came the liberation of Seoul. In retreat, the communists tried to destroy everything. They lit

our houses on fire and threatened to kill anyone who tried to extinguish the flames. We took the risk and tried to save what little we had.

"As I was rushing back and forth carrying things from the burning house, I heard people shouting that the Marines were coming. I was so overjoyed I dropped everything and ran into the street, despite the gunfire.

There were tears in my eyes and I was screaming with excitement that these brave soldiers had come to save our lives. One of the Marines - he seemed so big - smiled and gave me some spearmint chewing gum.

Communist sniper fire rang out and the marine sheltered me from danger. I can still smell his sweat and feel the press of his hand keeping me down out of the line of fire.

With the sniper neutralized, the marine smiled and moved on to some other poor soul like me. I watched him until he left my sight - this angel in a marine uniform who had come to deliver me from the hell we were in.

"I knew from that very day, that I wanted to be an American. America represented so much hope, opportunity, freedom, and goodness. Who else but Americans would come thousands of miles from their homes and risk their lives to save some nameless little boy like me?"

That little Korean boy whose life was protected by brave American servicemen was also present at the unveiling of the new Korean War Memorial.

I couldn't help but appreciate the irony of it all because today he's a colleague and close personal friend of mine, Congressman Jay Kim, R-California, the first Korean-born American elected to the U.S. Congress.

Legal Assistance to be available for persons over sixty years of age at Elba Senior Citizen Center

Legal assistance will be available locally for persons over age sixty (regardless of income) on Thursday, August 10 at the Elba Senior Citizens Center beginning at 12:30 p.m.

If you need help with any non-criminal legal problem or question, contact your nearest senior center as soon as possible for an appointment.

If you need a will or power of attorney, you must call as soon as possible so that your document can be ready.

If your income is less than \$612 monthly (single) or \$798 monthly (married couple) and you are eligible for Medicare, but you do not receive a card from Medicaid or QMB each month, you should contact the senior center. The legal assistance people can help you find out if you qualify and help you apply for OMB or Medicaid. QMB pays your Medicare premium and most of the doctor and hospital bills that Medicare does not cover and is free.

The phone number is 897-3019.

If you are over sixty and would like to attend the senior center, call to find out about the meals and all the other activities that are available.

Legal assistance and all other services at the senior center are provided on a no-fee basis, but voluntary contributions are accepted and encouraged.

Thank you, Elizabeth Gay

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Elba Elementary School kindergarten orientation to be held August 18th

Elba Elementary School will hold kindergarten orientation for parents and students Friday, August 18, 1995, from 3:00 to 4:00. This special kindergarten orientation will allow parents and students to meet with the kindergarten teachers. Parents will go to their child's classroom to receive general information about the first six weeks of school. Kindergarten parents are encouraged to bring their child's supplies, to pay for lunch/juice, etc. Students will tour the school, have story/song time, and learn about school rules.

SE Insurance & Real Estate announces association with Allstate

Southeast Insurance & Real Estate proudly announces their recent association with Allstate Insurance Company.

Allstate is the nation's second largest personal lines company and the nation's largest public owned insurance company.

The Allstate Insurance Company is one of the most respected insurance companies in the world. Ronnie Young said, "At Southeast we are delighted to offer their products and services to the people of Elba and the surrounding communities."

He continued with, "We attempt to exceed customer expectations in every aspect of business and Allstate will help us meet these goals with their commercial and personal lines of insurance."

New Merchandise Arriving Daily

CHECK IT OUT!

The Jewel Box

325 W. Simmons Elba 897-2296

For All Your Fine Jewelry Needs

The competition sure has a lot to say about PRIMSTAR these days. They're fooling around with comparison charts and coming up with dollar-a-day schemes. Unfortunately, in some cases, they're also fooling around with the facts.

So, the next time you see an ad that compares their system with PRIMSTAR, take the time to ask some questions and get the whole picture:

DO YOU HAVE TO BUY AN EXPENSIVE DISH? PRIMSTAR offers an affordable lease option that includes the equipment and programming, starting at about \$1 a day.

DO YOU REALLY SAVE BY INSTALLING IT YOURSELF? Do-it-yourself installation voids their warranty. It can also be a major hassle! PRIMSTAR's professional installation is fast, affordable and guaranteed!

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THE TECHNOLOGY CHANGES? With them, you're stuck with an obsolete system. Rent a PRIMSTAR system and you get free equipment upgrades.

WHAT ABOUT RECEPTION QUALITY? Instead of compromising on a "one-size-fits-all" dish, PRIMSTAR customizes dish size to your location to minimize interference and rain fade.

ASK ABOUT SERVICE! With PRIMSTAR, one call gets you installation, programming and service, all from the same convenient, 24-hour source. It takes three calls to get started with them!

GET THE FACTS BEFORE YOU BUY. You can find out in any ad. So get the facts and compare for yourself.

The Troy Messengers will be the featured singing group in the afternoon. Everyone is invited to attend.

FOR INFORMATION CALL:
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With them, you're stuck with an obsolete system. Rent a PRIMSTAR system and you get free equipment upgrades.

Martin is the son of Carolyn J. and James W. Martin of Elba. He is a 1994 graduate of Elba High School.

COREY J. CLARK

Navy Scamcor Corey J. Clark has completed a Department of Defense basic broadcast specialist course at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, IN.

Students received instruction in writing news, sports, and feature material for radio and television. They also learned various radio and TV production and programming techniques in hands-on training.

Clark is the son of C.J. and Karen Clark of Kinston.

The seaman is a 1994 graduate of Kinston High School.

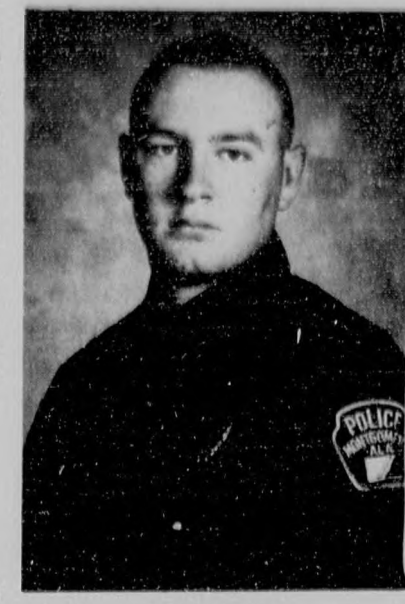
AARON L. SMITH

Army Pvt. Aaron L. Smith has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Smith is the son of John D. and Rita F. Smith of Elba. He is a 1993 graduate of Elba High School.

Jason Burch graduates from Montgomery Police Academy



Jason Burch

Jason Lee Burch, age 21, son of Melton and Mavis Burch of Elba, graduated June 21, 1995 from Montgomery Police Academy after 19 weeks of intense training in criminal justice. The training consisted of physical fitness, endurance, knowledge of laws, hand to hand combat and extensive firearms training.

Jason is a 1993 graduate of Elba High School, attended ESIC and in August 1994 he graduated from Southwest Alabama Police Academy, Ozark. That school is a branch of Faulkner College, Bay Minette, AL.

Jason began his career at a very young age, starting as an Explorer with the Enterprise police department and later was employed full time with Enterprise.

He is presently working as a police officer in Montgomery.



UNIVERSITY OF WEST ALABAMA CHEERLEADERS. Leading the cheers for The University of West Alabama Tigers for the 1995-96 football season are (first row, l to r) Konyi Middlebrook of Eufaula; Larry Guterrez of Diamondhead, MS; Phil Bogan of Elba; Mark Brown of Gulf Breeze, FL; and Scott Sanderford of Meridian, MS; (on shoulders, l to r) Lil Massey of Gallatin; Jennie Richard of Pass Christian, MS; Rita Smith of Marion; Mandi Allen of Cottontale; and Misty Jackson of Thomasville. The mascot is Kavi Cistrunk of Louisville, MS.

Red Cross offers Disaster Relief Training locally

Whenever disaster strikes, the Red Cross is there - thanks to a dedicated corps of volunteers and staff across the country who have received training in disaster services and are willing to answer their "neighbor's" call for help. If you have ever thought about becoming part of the team - now's the time.

The Coffee County Chapter of the American Red Cross is offering free training to support disaster relief efforts. In cooperation with Wiregrass United Way, Inc. and Enterprise State Junior College, the chapter will present the first-ever Disaster Institute featuring basic level courses in disaster services education to the public at ESJC from August 21 through 27, with day, evening and weekend classes featured.

Classes will include Introduction to Disaster Services, a prerequisite to all other courses, as well as Damage Assessment I, Mass Care I, Emergency Assistance to Families II, Records & Reports, Disaster Health Services I, Serving the Diverse Community, Standard Public Aid, Adult CPR, Public Affairs I, Logistics I, and a number of workshops.

For more information or to register, call the chapter at 347-2461.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD Church will be having homecoming services Sunday, August 13th.

The guest speaker will be Rev. Jimmy Eddins. Morning worship services will begin at 11:00 a.m. Lunch will be served at noon.

The Troy Messengers will be the featured singing group in the afternoon. Everyone is invited to attend.

Jaretta Shawanda Wright to celebrate first birthday



Jaretta Shawanda Wright

Jaretta Shawanda Wright will celebrate her first birthday on August 14, 1995. In honor of her birthday, a party will be held at the Enterprise Civic Center on Saturday, August 12, at 4:00 p.m.

Her parents are Crystal Sowell and Jeffery Wright of Enterprise. Grandparents are Wanda Sowell and John Sowell Sr., and Nadine Wright, all of Enterprise. Great grandparents are Taft Brook of Enterprise, Marion Manning of Brockton, and Tielma Singleton of Painesville, Ohio. God parents are Steve and Mattie Wright of Elba.

Confederate Memorial services will be held at the Beaver Dam Cemetery in Elba, AL on Saturday, August 12, 1995 at 4:30 p.m. Family members will meet at the church house in downtown Elba at approximately 4:00 p.m., then proceed to the cemetery. Placement of an "In memory of" headstone will be placed in honor of his dedication to the cause.

Pvt. Singleton Davis was taken prisoner at Resaca, GA during the battle of 1864 and was sent to Camp Douglas Prison in Chicago, IL where he died some 5 1/2 months later on October 4, 1864. His remains supposedly lie beneath the Confederate Mound in Oakwood Cemetery along with some 6,000 of his comrades.

In memory, he is being brought home to the Heart of Dixie and his family cemetery.

Please contact Shane Smith, 6018 Rebel Ridge Court, Norcross, GA 30092; phone (404) 409-8298 or fax (404) 944-0257, if you can join in this occasion.

Cross Trails Regional Library Service to have book sale

Cross Trails Regional Library Service is having a book sale Friday, August 11 and Saturday, August 12, 1995. The Friday hours will be 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and the Saturday hours will be 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. There will be adult and children's nonfiction, lots of adult fiction, and some children's fiction in this sale. Prices will be 25¢ for hardcovers, and 10¢ for paperbacks on Friday, and will drop to 10¢ and 5¢ on Saturday. We will have some National Geographic for 25¢ each. 331 north of Opp, Fla to come early for the best selection.

ALBERTSON BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. John W. McCranmer
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Mon. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 5:00 p.m.
Even. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Johnny Padellaro
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Mon. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Church Training 5:15 p.m.
Even. Service 6:00 p.m.
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BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST
J. J. Hattery
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Mon. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Church Training 5:30 p.m.
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Wed. Prayer Serv. 7:00 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH
A.O. Harte
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Mon. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Church Training 5:30 p.m.
Even. Service 6:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
E. H. Hill
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Mon. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service 7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH
Percy Golden
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Mon. Worship 11:00 a.m.
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Suddenly, another professor came bursting into the room. He began to argue with our professor about some disagreement that had previously occurred. The professor giving the lecture asked him to wait until the class was over, at which time the matter could be handled. And then it happened. An event unfolded before my eyes in images that I shall never forget. The intruding professor yelled that he would settle the matter right then. As his hand reached for something hidden in his clothing, it was as if life had switched to slow-motion speed. I saw the flash of metal, and as my heart raced I remember our professor running toward a row of students for cover.

As the gun fired, it seemed as if an explosion was occurring all around me. I expected to see blood, hear screams of anguish. The thought also formed that this crazed professor might turn the weapon on the class. A personal apocalypse was taking place, and I was powerless in its wake. Our professor then stopped running, and smiled?? No blood dotted his shirt, no cries of pain came forth. The crazed professor was laughing, and then the men shook hands. The gun turned out to be a starter's pistol, containing no bullets. The whole incident had been an exercise in showing how stress, the day's lecture topic, can occur in a matter of seconds. I breathed a quiet sigh of relief, and as my blood pressure settled down, I chuckled quietly to myself. Some normal day. Some normal day.

In our lives we have experienced the reality of "apocalyptic" days. Our hearts have quickened as events unfolded which seemed to mean the end of things as we knew it. There have been days when the monotony of routine has been violently destroyed by the roar of disaster, and the gust of anguish. No human was there to proclaim that it was simply a game. The anguish was not replaced by relief because someone declared that everything was back to normal. Joy and hope were hard to come by, and black was the color of the world.

Yet the promise of God is that our lives are never devoid of His presence. When all around us is falling down, God is the hand upon which we can rely, the force that holds our ultimate destiny. There are moments when we must throw ourselves upon Him as a child upon its parent, and trust that the words of the Divine are true and unbreakable. As an old hymn says, God rules even the winds and the water, and thus our plea is that He will stand by our side. The glory of the gospel, the single fact that holds all the faith, hope, and love in our lives, is that in routine or in heartache, uncharted waters, He has overcome the world, and is with us, always.

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Social Notes

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Miss Black & Mr. Nelson

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Black of Elba, AL, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Stacey Merinda, to Roger Paul Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nelson of Elba, AL.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rugg of Elba, AL, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bagwell of Jack, AL, and the late Hubert Black. She is employed at Troy Nephrology Referral Center in Troy, AL.

The groom is the grandson of Mrs. Pauline Nelson and the late Mr. Ivey Nelson, Mrs. Evelyn Stanton, and the late Mr. Ford Stanton, all of Brantley, AL. He is employed at Dorsey Trailers.

The wedding will be held on Saturday, September 9, 1995 at 5:00 p.m. at the home of the bride's parents. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Mr. & Mrs. Lott to be honored on 60th wedding anniversary

In honor of the sixtieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William Preston Lott, with gratitude to God, their children request the honor of your presence at a reception on Sunday, August 13, 1995 from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m. at New Hope Baptist Church, New Hope Community, Route 2, Brundidge, Alabama. Please omit gifts.

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Alexandra Depree Moody celebrates 2nd birthday

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Gross-Johnson wedding held July 15th

Kimberly Denise Johnson and Robert Franklin Gross III were married in a 2:00 p.m. ceremony July 15 at the First Baptist Church Chapel in Tuscaloosa with Dr. Rick Lance officiating.

Music was presented by Shane Porter and Franklin Bell, trumpet; Shaw Furlow and Angela Washburn, vocalists; and Peggy Thompson, organist.

Parents of the couple are Dennis and Sue Johnson of Athens and Robert and Pam Gross of Tuscaloosa.

Grandparents of the couple are Mamie and Roy Prichett and C.J. and Betty Owens, all of Montgomery, and Margaret Johnson and the late Fred Johnson, and Vergie Watkins and the late George Craft, all of Elba.

The bride wore a formal gown of white re-embroidered Alencon lace sprinkled with pearls, crystal iridescent sequins and satin. The molded bodice featured a V neckline and back, and a Basque waistline. The long tapered sleeves of Alencon lace ended at points on her hands. The slim, fitted sheath skirt of lace was bordered with a heavy band of similar lace, and the satin chapel-length train was embellished with Alencon lace appliques.

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Johnson Reunion planned for August 19th

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Ashton Kyle Davis celebrated his second birthday at his Nee Nee Bake (Becky) and Granddaddy (Bill) Davis' home. Ashton had his ambulance birthday party on Saturday, May 29, 1995. Ashton and his guests enjoyed an ambulance cake, nacho chips with hamburger-cheese dip, grape drink and lemonade.

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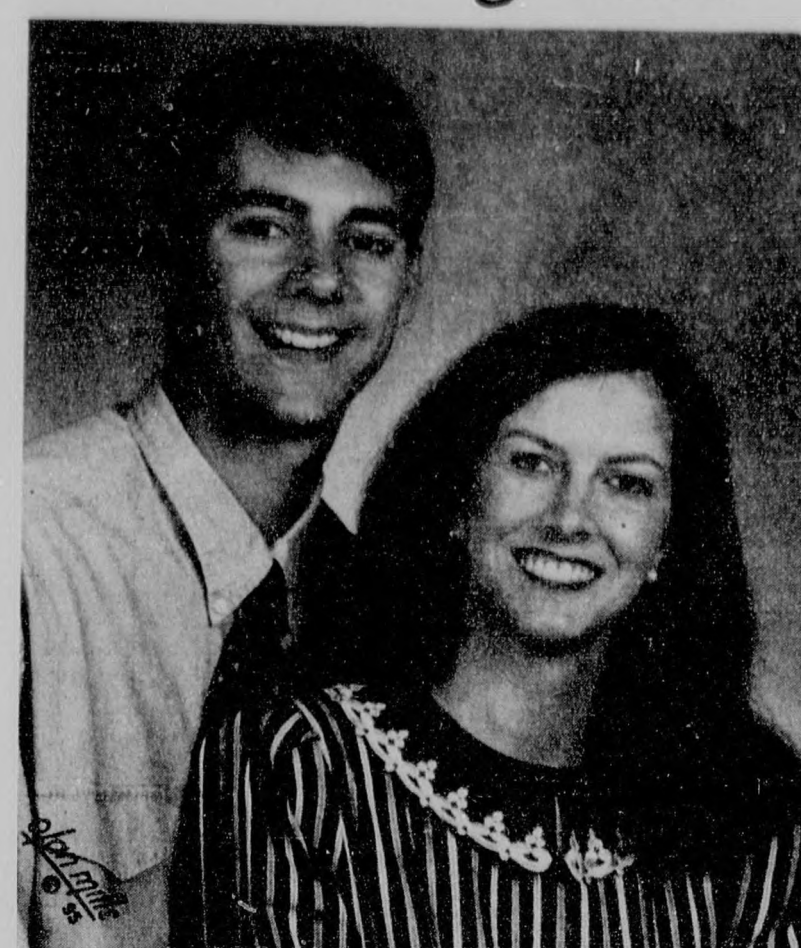
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Boyen-Ward wedding held August 5th

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Mr. Presley and Miss Guelde united in holy matrimony

Gina Lynn Guelde and Cameron Earl Presley were married at 4:00 p.m., Saturday, August 5, 1995 at the Nojima House. Rev. Earl Presley, grandfather of the groom, officiated the ceremony.

The bride chose for her wedding gown a lovely floor-length creation of white, silk-faced bridal satin and French imported Alencon lace. The lace encrusted bodice was designed with a portrait neckline, and fitted sleeves terminating with tily points. Embellished lace fell over a fitted waist, holding a pool of imported tulle, encrusted with beaded lace from which swept to an extended chapel train.

A tiara embellished with pearls and iridescent sequins held her finger veil of imported silk illusion. Savannah Guelde served as the flower girl. Maid of honor was Lisa Guelde, and the bridesmaids were Jennifer Chafin, Amy Lancaster, Nicki Waddell, and Holly Craft.

Tyler Marsh served as the ring bearer. The best man was Joshua Presley, and the groomsmen were Ricky White, Brent Baxter, Wesley Johnson, and Zackary Guelde.

A rehearsal dinner was given by the groom's parents at the Tom Beville Center in Huntsville, AL. After a honeymoon in Gatlinburg, TN, the couple will reside in Athens.

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During the January 1995 interim term, Kelle Kendrick for State Senator Brandon Bell in Roanoke, Virginia. Kelle applied for and was selected to intern this summer in the offices of Senator Howell Heflin, Senator Richard Shelby, and U.S. Representative Spencer Bachus in Washington, D.C.

Kelle is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Kendrick of Tuscaloosa, the granddaughter of Mrs. Nell Kendrick and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Vaughan, Jr. and the great-granddaughter of Mrs. Oscar Vaughan, Sr., all of Elba and the great-granddaughter of Mrs. Myra Caldwell of Samson.

No local invitations will be sent. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Garner of Andalusia announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Joy Suzanne Garner of Auburn, to Hubble Gardner Sowards of Montgomery, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Kelley of Andalusia and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sowards of Nashville, TN.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Jacobs of Andalusia, Lois Garner of Andalusia, and the late Clifford E. Garner. She is the great-granddaughter of Eva Rodgers of Andalusia.

She is a summa cum laude graduate of Auburn University, graduating with a bachelor's degree in music education. She is presently employed with Auburn City Schools.

The groom-to-be is the grandson of Eula Sowards of Elba, the late Rollin B. Sowards, Mrs. Noble Kelley of Dozier, Mr. and Mrs. James C. Harrell of Opp, and the late Catherine Wilson. He is the great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. M.G. Adams of Opp.

He is currently attending Auburn University at Montgomery, and is employed with the Alabama Public Service Commission.

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Views from....

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The Mularz bunch went on vacation last week and I once again learned that when you have kids it makes no difference where you go, or what you do, as long as the motel you stop at has a pool. I think the girls did enjoy visiting their Uncle Tony and his family in North Carolina and really enjoyed Bush Gardens, in Virginia, but riding almost 1,500 miles in six days was even too much for Dad to take. Now we need another vacation to get over the last one!

NCAA DROPS BAMA FOR BIG LOSS

The University of Alabama was expecting some type of punishment from the NCAA concerning the Gene Jinks and Antonio Langham incidents; however, the loss of scholarships and ban from a bowl game in 1995 apparently took the school officials by surprise. The Alabama officials had already given up a couple of scholarships and felt the action would lessen the penalty, but the NCAA's statement that the Alabama football program exhibited "a distressing failure of institutional control" made it clear that the Tide was in trouble, and the NCAA then lowered the boom.

I listened to some sports talk shows last week and the callers and sportscasters had a difference of opinion about the penalties. Some felt the Tide should have been banned from TV and that Coach Gene Stallings should have been reprimanded, while others felt the TV ban and loss of up to 30 scholarships was much too severe a penalty for just two disputed incidents over a six-year span.

My belief is that the NCAA has grown into a self-gratifying monster that hands down penalties with a sense of joy, and is inconsistent with penalties handed down to different schools. Florida State apparently beat the beast with a state law that kept the NCAA from sticking its nose into state business, but other programs have no such protection and just take what happens. I have felt for years that major college athletics has outgrown the NCAA and that the schools should form an organization that would support the major schools, while at the same time policing the programs. A new athletic organization might let the players receive some sort of payments during their years in school, which would minimize the need for boosters to help with the table cash, and a new organization could also look at the unique needs of the major schools, and not have to try and keep the small schools happy at the expense of the bigger universities.

Alabama was wrong in the way it handled the Antonio Langham incident and should be punished; however, the punishment should fit the crime, and not attempt to keep other violators happy. The time has come for a change!

PRE-SEASON PREP FOOTBALL POLLS MEAN NOTHING

The Alabama Sportswriters Association released its annual pre-season high school football standings last week, and as always, last year's champions are ranked #1 in every one of the state's six classifications. I guess it is true that the state champs are still the champs until someone beats them; however, it also makes me wonder if the state champs are really the state champs or if they are just the state champs because they were the state champs last year. I don't think the success of T.R. Miller in 4A will probably continue and the talented Tigers could repeat, as could 3A power Colbert County and 1A strongboy Carrollton. Polls are always fun to look at, but pre-season polls are nothing more than that, just fun for the fans.

New Brockton has no easy wins on '95 grid schedule

The New Brockton Gamecocks will be looking to get back on the winning side of the ledger this season under Coach Alan Thrasher. However, the Gamecocks will be facing the same schedule that resulted in a 4-6 mark a year ago, and will have to fight their way back on top against some of the area's best teams.

The Gamecocks will open the season at home against the always powerful 1A Arion Purple (5-5), and New Brockton will remain home the following week when the 2A Straughn Tigers (6-4) come calling.

A trip to Dothan to meet the 1A Houston Academy Raiders (1-8) will come in the fifth week of the season, while in week #6 will come the longest road trip of the season, as the Gamecocks make the ride to tangle with the strong 1A Beulah Bokcats (8-4). The seventh week will find the Gamecocks still on the road for an Area battle against 1A McKenzie (6-5).

New Brockton will return home in week #8 for an Area battle against the 1A Kinston Bulldogs (4-7), then will close out the regular season in week #9 when the Gamecocks travel to meet the 2A Red Level Tigers (2-8).

The Gamecocks' schedule doesn't appear to be overly strong at first glance; however, when you stop and point out foes like Arion, Straughn and Beulah, not to mention Area games against Zion Chapel, Kinston and McKenzie, you quickly find that the Gamecocks' schedule is as tough as any around.

NEW BROCKTON GAMECOCKS

SEPT.1	ARION (1A)	HOME
SEPT.8	G.W. LONG (1A)	AWAY
SEPT.15	ZION CHAPEL * (1A)	HOME
SEPT.22	STRAUGHN (2A)	HOME
SEPT.29	HOUSTON ACADEMY (1A)	AWAY
OCT.6	BEULAH (1A)	AWAY
OCT.13	MCKENZIE * (1A)	AWAY
OCT.20	KINSTON * (1A)	HOME
OCT.27	RED LEVEL (2A)	AWAY
NOV.3	OPEN DATE	

Brantley faces state's toughest schedule

The Brantley Bulldogs won the state championship in 1993 with a 15-0 record and last season followed it up with a solid 9-3 mark; however, the Bulldogs will face a rugged schedule this season under Coach Roland Jones and will have to fight each and every week to continue piling up the wins.

Brantley will open the season on the road in a hostile environment when the Bulldogs tangle with the

4A Daleville Warhawks (7-4), but return home in week #2 for their annual match-up against the 2A Red Level Tigers (2-8) and stay home in week #3 for a critical Area clash against the 2A Goshen Eagles (5-6).

Road trips to 1A McKenzie (6-5) and 3A Luvorne (10-5) dot the schedule in weeks #4 and #5, while in the sixth week of the season the Bulldogs will be back at home for

BRANTLEY BULLDOGS

SEPT.1	DALEVILLE (4A)	AWAY
SEPT.8	RED LEVEL (2A)	HOME
SEPT.15	GOSHEN * (2A)	HOME
SEPT.22	MCKENZIE (1A)	AWAY
SEPT.29	LUVORNE (3A)	AWAY
OCT.6	CLAYTON * (2A)	HOME
OCT.13	SLOCOMB (3A)	AWAY
OCT.20	HIGHLAND HOME * (2A)	HOME
OCT.27	A.L. JOHNSON (1A)	AWAY
NOV.3	GEORGIANA (2A)	HOME

Brantley has one of the state's top small school programs, and will get the chance to prove it again this year against perhaps the state's toughest 2A schedule.

**NEXT WEEK....
A LOOK AT THE
AREA RACES OF
LOCAL TEAMS.**

Elba and Enterprise receive mention in second 10

Defending champs ranked #1 in pre-season prep polls

The Alabama Sportswriters Association released its pre-season High School Football Poll last week with all six defending champions picked to repeat in the annual poll.

Aniston was picked #1 in the 6A poll, with Northview ranked fourth and Enterprise receiving mention in 18th place.

Greenlee was picked number one in the 5A poll, while in the 4A rankings it was T.R. Miller ranked #1, with Pike County ranked 8th and W.S. Neal 10th. Receiving honorable mention in 4A were Abbeville (11th) and Dale County (13th).

Colbert County was placed atop the 3A standings, while Luvorne

followed at #3 and Elba received honorable mention with a #16 ranking. Clay County got the #1 spot in 2A circles, with Georgiana being ranked #6, Flomaton #7 and Brantley coming in at 10th. Samson received honorable mention with a #15 ranking, while Florala was tied for 21st.

Carrollton was ranked #1 in the 1A poll, with Arion ranked 6th. McKenzie received honorable mention with a #25 ranking.

Following are the state pre-season rankings in all six classes:

CLASS 6A	1-Aniston	2-Shades Valley	3-Northview	4-Vigor	5-H.E. Lee, Montgomery	6-Central, Phenix City	7-Central, Tuscaloosa	8-Woodlawn	9-Jeff Davis	10-Murphy
CLASS 5A	1-Greenville	2-Russellville	3-Etowah	4-Henwood	5-Jackson	6-Simlits Station	7-Athens	8-John Carroll	9-Stanhope Elmore	10-North Jackson
CLASS 4A	1-T.R. Miller	2-Alexandria	3-Cleburne County	4-Lanett	5-Clarke County	6-Guntersville	7-Fairview	8-Pike County	9-West Point	10-W.S. Neal
CLASS 3A	1-Colbert County	2-Sylvania	3-Luverne	4-J.B. Pennington	5-South Lamar	6-West End	7-Cordova	8-Plainview	9-B.B. Comer	10-Dadeville
CLASS 2A	1-Clay County	2-Hazlewood	3-Gordo	4-Leroy	5-Tanner	6-Georgiana	7-Flomaton	8-Rectown	9-Hatton	10-Brantley
CLASS 1A	1-Carrollton	2-Addison	3-Billingsley	4-Mapleville	5-Courtland	6-Arion	7-Central, Talladega County	8-Marrion County	9-Natusulga	10-Hackleburg

Elba schedule just as tough as ever

The Elba Tigers have always been famous for playing one of the toughest schedules in the state and that tradition will certainly carry on this season as Coach David Lowery will inherit a schedule that includes four 5A schools, while at the same time the 1994 state 4A champions.

The Tigers, coming off a disappointing 5-7 record last season, will open the schedule at home when the 5A Charles Henderson Trojans (6-4) come to town, then will hit the road in week #2 when they travel to Brewton to tangle with the 4A state champion T.R. Miller Tigers (14-0).

Elba will be back on the road the following week against the powerful 2A Georgiana Panthers (11-1), and the three-game road trip will continue in week #4 as the Tigers make the short trip to Opp to battle the 5A Opp Bokcats (6-4).

Elba will return to Tiger Stadium in week #5, but finds the going no easier as the Tigers host the

ELBA TIGERS		
SEPT.1	CH. HENDERSON (5A)	HOME
SEPT.8	T.R. MILLER (4A)	AWAY
SEPT.15	GEORGIANA (2A)	AWAY
SEPT.22	OPP (5A)	AWAY
SEPT.29	DALEVILLE (4A)	HOME
OCT.6	LOUISVILLE * (3A)	AWAY
OCT.13	KINSTON (1A)	HOME
OCT.20	LUVORNE * (2A)	HOME
OCT.27	ANDALUSIA (5A)	AWAY
NOV.3	HILLCREST (5A)	HOME

4A Daleville Warhawks (7-4), and in week #6 the Tigers will be back on the road for a key Area contest with the 3A Louisville Red Devils (3-7).

After a first-ever clash against the 1A Kinston Bulldogs (4-7) in Elba, Elba will remain at home for the annual grudge match with the 1994 state runner-up 3A Luvorne Tigers (10-5), while in week #9

Elba will travel to Andalusia to meet the 5A Andalusia Bulldogs (0-10). The regular season finale will be at home, when the Tigers host the 5A Hillcrest Jaguars (3-7).

With a schedule that includes a quartet of 5A opponents, the defending state 4A champ, one of the state's top 2A powers and the state 3A runner-up, Elba won't have time to rebuild in '95, just reload!

Rebels' schedule mirrors '94 slate

The Zion Chapel Rebels began the march back toward winning football last season, and this year, hope to improve again with a schedule that mirrors the one that resulted in a 5-5 slate a year ago under Coach David Collins.

The Rebels will kickoff the 1995 season on the road when they travel to Dothan to meet the 1A Houston Academy Raiders (1-8), then return home in week #2 when they jump into Area play with a clash with the 1A Kinston Bulldogs (4-7).

A second straight Area contest awaits in the third week of the season when Zion Chapel travels across county to battle the 1A New Brockton Gamecocks (4-6), and the Rebels close out the first half of the campaign in week #4 as they host the 2A Clayton Tigers (1-8).

After an open date, the Rebels swing back into action in week #6 on the road against the always dangerous 2A Samson Tigers (10-2), and remain in the 2A ranks the next week as the Rebels host the 2A Wicksburg Panthers (6-5).

Back-to-back home games against 1A Arion (10-1) and 1A

G.W. Long (1-9) await in week numbers eight and nine, while the season finale will be on the road in a crucial Area battle against the 1A McKenzie Tigers (6-5).

The Rebels first four opponents

posted a less than impressive 10-29 record a year ago; however, Zion Chapel posted a 5-5 slate in '94, and the schedule this season appears filled with challenges each and every week.

ZION CHAPEL REBELS

SEPT.1	HOUSTON ACADEMY (1A)	AWAY
SEPT.8	KINSTON * (1A)	HOME
SEPT.15	NEW BROCKTON * (1A)	AWAY
SEPT.22	CLAYTON (2A)	HOME
SEPT.29	OPEN DATE	
OCT.6	SAMSON (2A)	AWAY
OCT.13	WICKSBURG (2A)	HOME
OCT.20	ARION (1A)	HOME
OCT.27	G.W. LONG * (1A)	HOME
NOV.3	MCKENZIE (1A)	AWAY

Kinston schedule is toughest ever

The Kinston Bulldogs struggled to a 4-7 record last season, and even though the Bulldogs have new spirits under Coach Mickey Jacobs, the schedule is identical to the one faced a year ago and that means nothing but challenges ahead.

The Bulldogs will open the season at home for a clash with Jay, Florida (7-3), then will jump right into the Area wars with a trip to Jack to tangle with cross-county rivals the Zion Chapel Rebels (5-5).

Week #3 will find Kinston on the road against the always tough 2A Florala Wildcats (8-3), and in week #4 another 2A foe will hit the field when the Bulldogs host the Samson Tigers (10-2).

A trip to Skipperville to meet the 1A G.W. Long Rebels (1-9) comes in the fifth week of the season, while in week #6 Kinston will remain on the road against the 2A Straughn Tigers (6-4).

A match-up against the powerful

KINSTON BULLDOGS		
SEPT.1	JAY, FL. (2A)	HOME
SEPT.8	ZION CHAPEL * (1A)	AWAY
SEPT.15	FLORALA (2A)	AWAY
SEPT.22	SAMSON (2A)	HOME
SEPT.29	G.W. LONG (1A)	AWAY
OCT.6	STRAUGHN (2A)	AWAY
OCT.13	ELBA (1A)	AWAY
OCT.20	NEW BROCKTON * (1A)	AWAY
OCT.27	MCKENZIE * (1A)	HOME
NOV.3	LYMAN WARD (2A)	HOME

3A Elba Tigers (5-7) comes in week #7, but the rest will be short-lived as in week #8 comes an Area clash against cross-county rivals the 1A New Brockton Gamecocks (4-6).

The Bulldogs will host the 1A McKenzie Tigers (6-5) in week #9 in a crucial Area battle, and in the season finale, Kinston will again be

at home, this time against the 2A Lyman Ward Rangers (2-6).

With Area foes like McKenzie, New Brockton and Zion Chapel, and opponents such as Elba, Florala, Samson and Straughn dotting the schedule, Kinston could well face one of the toughest slates around in 1A circles.

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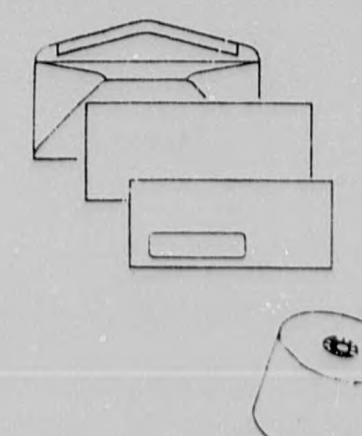
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2nd-David Cooper, Enterprise
3rd-Michael Register, Dothan

HAULES
1st-Kennie Perkins, Brundidge
2nd-John Westfall, Opp
3rd-David Windham

PURE STOCK
1st-Jerry Davis, Opp
2nd-Eugene Bell, Opp
3rd-Craig Morgan, Florala

SUPR STOCK
1st-Todd Johnson, Enterprise
2nd-Gary Anderson, Opp
3rd-Jerry Weatherington, Elba

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job was not being done as well as it should be.

Lee will be asked to attend the next council meeting and discuss the matter.

The council took what they believe to be a positive step toward the establishment of a solid recreation program for the town. They appointed a parks and recreation board.

The board members, who will serve with no compensation, will establish policy, direction and supervision of the town's recreational program.

Appointments to the seven-member board were as follows: Cathy Sawyer, 5 year term; Barbara Cole, 4 year term; Joe Simmons, 3 year term; Larry Lewis, 2 year term; Donnie Smith, 2 year term; Charles Driggers, 1 year term; and Mary Paul, 1 year term.

Police Chief Charles Driggers reported that his department, during the month of July, answered 8 complaints, made 7 arrests, and investigated 1 automobile accident.

He also noted that patrolmen issued 43 traffic citations, most of which were for speeding.

Driggers stated that during the same time period, the rescue squad made 25 runs while the fire department answered 3 calls.

The chief told council members that he hoped his department would soon be receiving compensation from the United Postal Service.

In June, the police department assisted postal inspectors in a case involving \$7,300.00 that was found in the local post office. Driggers said that it is possible his department will receive 20 percent of those funds recovered.

During the general business from council members, Councilman Charles Cole asked that the council consider paying for the repair of damages to Chief Driggers' van.

Several months ago, the chief, while on his personal van, was responding to a call for assistance from one of his officers when a vehicle ran into him.

According to estimates, the cost of repairing the van will be just over \$800.00.

After several minutes of discussing the matter, the council voted to repair the chief's vehicle. Mayor

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Kathryn Holley cast the lone dissenting vote while Councilman Miles abstained.

The matter, which had been discussed at previous council meetings, was finally laid to rest.

Members of the council agreed that a policy should be established to deal with this type of situation in the future.

Just prior to adjourning, Councilman Jack Caradine resigned as head of the recreation department and also stated that he would not be seeking re-election to the town council.

Other actions taken by the council were as follows:

***Scheduled the next council meeting for Monday, September 11, 1995 instead of September 4 which is Labor Day.

***Approved payment of bills to

totaling \$4,700.83.

***Agreed to disconnect the phone at the recreation department.

***Advised that the computer community bulletin board, which is in cooperation with Auburn University, was operational.

***Nominated Bill Lockwood to the equalization board. The appointment will be made at the state level from nominations received from town, city, and county governing bodies throughout the state.

***Council informed that ADECA (Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs) has accepted the town's audit report on the CDBG Grant.

***Approved the purchase of tires for the street department's trash truck.

COST (Continued from Page One)

solate school buses. The total cost of the last bus purchased was about \$47,000.

Bids will also be sought with the option of having air conditioning installed on the new bus. That would be to allow more use of the unit on outside trips by sports teams, etc.

Pearce reported on the recently completed Alabama legislative session and what it appears to mean to the Elba schools.

The capital projects money the school has or is getting will be used to complete the softball/haseball complex and a new bus shop. The ball field complex is expected to cost \$80,000 and includes lighting, fencing and construction of a press box and concession stand.

Plans for the \$215,000 bus shop will move forward, with final approval coming after the state releases the necessary money and approves the project.

Design work for the bus shop is completed, as is site clearing of the land for the project.

Permit funds will be used for the ball fields and this work will proceed immediately. The school board had budgeted \$50,000 capital outlay in the 1994-95 fiscal year. Add to that funds from the sale of real estate on the 203 bypass and a \$9,000 balance from public school capital outlay funds of this year and the school can fund the project internally.

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- Book satchel
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- Elmer's School Glue
- 1 spiral notebook (wide-ruled)
- Liquid soap

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Second Grade

- Wide-ruled writing paper
- Crayons (8 or 16)
- Scissors
- Glue
- Pencils
- Construction paper
- 2 composition notebooks (wide-ruled)
- Plastic pencil keeper or zip lock bag
- Kleenex
- Liquid soap
- Paper towels
- No Trapper Keepers
- No pencil boxes.

Third Grade

- Wide-ruled writing paper
- Crayons
- Glue
- Pencils
- Construction paper
- 2 rolls paper towels
- 2 boxes Kleenex
- 4 single subject composition notebooks (wide-ruled)

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City of Elba to open new inert landfill

by Ferrin Cox
Publisher

The Elba City Council heard Monday night that over three years of efforts in Montgomery have paid off. The city now has official approval to open the long planned inert landfill on city owned property just off the Samson Highway.

To open the new facility the city must construct a sediment pond and dig the first cell. All this must be

done according to ADEM specifications.

Engineer David Welch was unable to give council members a cost estimate on completing the opening. He asked the members of the governing body just what part they planned to complete themselves and what would be contracted.

City Clerk Henry Clark suggested they contract the building of the pond and clearing and grubbing for the garbage cells. Clark said city crews could dig the cell while getting dirt to cover the week's trash.

He also recommended the city purchase a used chipper to grind all limbs, etc. to save room and extend the life of the dump. He explained that these chips could then be used as mulch or as required cover for the other inert trash in the dump.

The engineering firm will proceed with engineering and overseeing the opening of the new dump. Once the new facility is open, they

will also begin the required procedure for closing the old dump.

This will mean covering with 18" of clay and 6" of top soil. The dump must then be terrace and graded.

A brief discussion followed a question by council member John W. Sharpless on the feasibility of opening the new landfill. He noted Elba could dump a lot of trash in the county landfill for the thousands being discussed. Coffee County charges \$17 per ton.

However, council members soon concluded the added cost of hauling the large volume of trash Elba generates would make this even more expensive.

Clark told the council that now that the permit has been issued, "We have got to move."

Elba has been getting extensions from ADEM to continue using the old landfill until the permitting process on the new one was completed. Clark said he didn't expect to receive any more extension from the agency.

Just before the vote Sharpless said, "We have no choice, the only thing we can do is start building our landfill."

The council voted unanimously to proceed with the new landfill. When it is ready, they will begin action to close the old one.

City council hires police officer and reviews EMT's proposal

by Ferrin Cox
Publisher

Bills totaling \$13,333.87 were approved for payment Monday evening by the Elba City Council. This included \$1,749.45 for chemicals, \$4,529.32 vehicle repairs, \$933.25 for a sprayer, \$826.00 for bleachers, \$745.89 for concession supplies and \$392.92 for asphalt mix.

All members were present, except Earl McCollough, who reportedly was busy cutting hay.

Police Chief Max Hooks recommended the council hire Reserve Officer Kenneth Jackson as a full time officer. Jackson will fill the vacancy created by the untimely death of Officer Greg Gay.

"Mr. Jackson is a certified officer and has been working for the Elba Police Department up to 20 hours per week free, and doing a good job," Hooks said.

The council voted unanimously to approved the employment of Jackson.

Hooks reported the department has responded to 26 complaints, issued 21 traffic citations. Un-authorized people continue to park in the handicapped zones and the police continue to issue tickets for this infraction. They also issued three DUI tickets.

There were 13 criminal arrest and the department investigated three automobile accidents.

The animal control officer picked up 31 dogs. Ten of these were adopted and three returned to their owners.

The Gatlin, Rt. 1, Jack, addressed the council with a proposal to help the Rescue Squad. A certified EMT, he offered to take all daytime calls Monday thru Friday from 6:00 a.m. until 2 p.m. for \$25 per day plus \$25 per call. This was one of the proposed options presented by the rescue squad at a recent city council meeting.

The council members referred to written legal opinions they requested and received concerning the city paying rescue workers. Both City Attorney Mark Vaughan and The League of Municipalities advised against such a move. It would increase insurance cost and expose the city to additional liability suits. The city council can donate to the rescue squad without being considered operating the emergency service, according to the legal opinions.

Council members agreed to recommend that Gatlin go to the rescue squad with his proposal.

Approval was given to purchase

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Deputies respond to possible hostage situation

by Marvin McLWain - Editor

Late Tuesday afternoon (August 8), Coffee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a possible hostage situation.

At approximately 5:49 p.m., the sheriff's department received a call from Charlotte Bullard who said that

persons were being held at her residence against their will.

Reportedly, Bullard had managed to escape from her residence and made it to a neighbor's house to call authorities. The residence is located on Co. Rd. 431, just off AL Hwy. 87 south of Elba.

Ms. Bullard told authorities that she, along with two other individuals,

Dana Spears and Randy Harrelson, had barricaded themselves in her home for about five hours before she managed to escape.

According to reports, Spears' estranged husband Edward Eugene Spears, 38, of Opp, came to the Bullard residence around 1:00 p.m. allegedly looking for a truck belonging to him.

He was accompanied by Charlene Ludlum, 47, and her two sons Keith Woods, 25, and Craig Woods, 30, all residents of Coffee County. Ludlum is Harrelson's former girlfriend.

Bullard told deputies that the three men made repeated attempts to enter her residence, but were unable to do so. Those inside the house had barricaded the door with a couch.

Allegedly, Mr. Spears threatened to shoot the occupants of the house, however, no weapon was seen nor was one found at the scene by sheriff's deputies.

Authorities arrived on the scene only minutes after the call for help was received. The four individuals were taken into custody shortly afterwards.

Arrested and charged with first degree attempted burglary and three counts of unlawful imprisonment were Mr. Spears, Ludlum, and her two sons.

Bond for each of those charged was set at \$7,800.00.

The incident remains under investigation by the Coffee County Sheriff's Department and District Attorney's office.



IT COULD HAVE BEEN A LOT WORSE...A two-vehicle collision sent two ladies to the hospital Tuesday afternoon. A late model Ford Tempo GL driven by Betty Jean English, 49, of 627 Adams St. in Elba collided with a 1995 Chevrolet Suburban driving Judy Holloway, 39, of Rt. 2 Box 169, Elba. According to witnesses, the Suburban was traveling south on AL Hwy. 189 (Claxton Ave.) when the sedan, traveling west on AL 203 (by-pass), ran through a red light striking the van. The car reported spun after hitting the van and traveled several hundred feet south ending up in the yard of Charles Kennet's residence. The van left the roadway after the impact and struck a utility pole. Both victims were transported to Elba General Hospital by a unit of the Elba Rescue Squad. Holloway was received treatment and was later released. English was transferred to Dothan by ambulance. There were no other occupants in either of the vehicles. The accident, which occurred shortly after 3 p.m., was investigated by the Elba Police Officer Wesley Snodgrass. In the picture above, rescue personnel prepare to remove Mrs. Holloway from the vehicle and place her in the ambulance.

COMMISSIONERS TOLD COUNTY'S COMPUTER SYSTEM HAS RUN OUT OF SPACE

County settles lawsuit filed by disabled persons

by Marvin McLWain - Editor

The Coffee County Commission tentatively settled a pending lawsuit against the county in Monday's meeting.

A class action lawsuit filed against Coffee County in July of 1994 by Pete Danford, a New Brockton resident, stated that the courthouse in Enterprise posed problems for disabled persons who wished to utilize the facility.

For the past several weeks, the commissioners have been reviewing with managing the courthouse readily accessible to the disabled, he could not agree with the option of constructing a new facility.

At the time the lawsuit was filed, the commission was already in the process of bringing the two courthouses, Elba and Enterprise, into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Architects, one of who was disabled, had inspected both courthouses, and had made recommendations as to what renovations had to be made in the two facilities.

The commission has until January 15, 1996 to submit to the court a status of its progress with respect to construction of a new facility or renovations to the existing courthouse facility in Enterprise.

On or before July 15, 1996, the commission has to submit to the court its decision on what route it will take - construct a new courthouse or renovation of the present facility.

Plaintiffs in the case have the right and option, as stipulated in the Consent Decree, to file with the

ment a method by which Defendants may secure funding for the building and operation of a new courthouse or the renovation of the existing facility located in Enterprise, Alabama.

After a twenty-five minute closed door session with the county attorney, Kenneth Fuller, the commissioners, with the exception of two, signed the Consent Decree. Commissioners Wendell Black and Robert Stephens did not sign the agreement.

Commissioner Stephens stated that while he was in full agreement with managing the courthouses readily accessible to the disabled, he could not agree with the option of constructing a new facility.

"I don't feel that we should obligate the taxpayers to fund a new courthouse without their having a voice in the matter," said Stephens.

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ment aid effort.

Both the commissioners and Engineer Randy Tindell were ready and willing to assist the hurricane victims saying "Next time it might be you who will be the victims!"

The trucks and drivers will remain in the area for one week. Gas food and lodging expenses will be paid by Baldwin County.

County Administrator Wilson Mobley informed commissioners that the county's five-year-old computer system is filled up and overflowing.

"We have data that should be in Please See DATA, Page 12

County BOE completes hiring of personnel before school starts

by Marvin McLWain - Editor

In a special called meeting of the Coffee County School Board, two unfilled fifth grade teaching positions were filled. The meeting was held last Thursday evening.

One of the openings was filled by transfer, thus creating another opening which had to be filled also.

Audrey Payne was hired to teach a section of the fifth grade at the New Brockton Elementary School.

Payne was hired upon the recommendation of Charles Cole, principal at NBES.

An opening for a fifth grade teacher at Kinston Elementary was filled by Shan Sessions, who asked to be transferred from Zion Chapel. The administration recommended the transfer after the original recommendation failed to meet with the board's approval.

The vacancy created at Zion Chapel by Sessions' transfer was filled by Sharon Sasser upon the recommendation of Bob Andrews, principal at ZCES.

After coming out of a rather lengthy "executive session" in Monday's (August 7) meeting, board members had been unable to fill the two positions mentioned above; however, it did not take them long to act on the matter Thursday.

Prior to dealing with the personnel matters, Superintendent Clayton Bryant reminded board members that school was scheduled to begin Tuesday, with teachers reporting Monday.

He stated that it was his wishes to do whatever the board wanted to do in the matter, but it was important that the two positions be filled promptly.

"Monday night we had two recommendations which you did not accept," Bryant said. "I think that we need to go back to those and see what the status of this group is and at that point in time take the steps necessary to open school."

It was the recommendation of Kinston Elementary School's principal, Shirley Northrup, that Genell Swett, be employed as a fifth grade teacher.

There were several minutes of discussion which followed Bryant's statement with board members expressing their feelings on the matter. It appeared that some members of the board (four members) had had a problem with teacher recommendations made at the last meeting. The

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